

PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Ratliff, et al.	Confirmation No.:	6914
Appl. No.:	09/961,419	Art Unit:	2161
Filed:	09/25/2001	Examiner:	Charles C. Agwumezie
For:	AVAILABILITY BASED VALUE CREATION METHOD AND SYSTEM		

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Sir:

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment before calculating the claim fee and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.